REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application.

Claims 1–9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yokohama (EP 0 522 538 A2). Claim 1 requires "a portable telephone housing accommodating the printed circuit board, the portable telephone housing configured by a resin housing... and a metal housing." Yokohama teaches <u>plastic housings</u> 15a and 15b that <u>accommodate</u> a printed circuit board (3:51-58). The plastic housings 15a, 15b do not teach a metal housing, as required by claim 1.

The Office action cites electronic parts 14a, 14b for a metal housing. The electronic parts 14a, 14b have a metal case and are mounted on a printed circuit board 11 (3:39-42, 4:15-18). However, the electronic parts 14a, 14b do not accommodate the printed circuit board 11. They are merely mounted on the printed circuit board 11. Yokohama teaches that the plastic housings 15a, 15b accommodate the printed circuit board, not the electronic parts 14a, 14b. The electronic parts 14a, 14b are not part of a portable telephone housing, which would correspond to Yokohama's plastic housing 15a, 15b. Because Yokohama teaches only a plastic housing for accommodating its printed circuit board, it fails to teach "a portable telephone housing accommodating the printed circuit board, the portable telephone housing configured by a resin housing...and a metal housing." For at least this reason, applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 is not anticipated by and is allowable over Yokohama. Claims 2-4 depend from claim 1. The arguments provided above with respect to claim 1 also apply to claims 5-9.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the

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application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. NGB-32439.

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